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These comments are for the early design review; I cannot be at the meeting on October 19th.

## Some comments on the design:

Greenwood Avenue is a street you can stroll down looking into shop windows, sitting on a bench, gazing at mountains, looking at street art. Several times a year there are festivals in the street, and there are monthly art walks. The building at 68th and Greenwood should add to, not detract from, that environment.

It should minimize its blockage of the views off the ridge to the water and mountains, at least leaving generous street ends for that purpose. It should be interesting to look at, have attractive plantings and greenery that will survive if no one is required to care for them, have an overhang that protects from the rain, and be inviting at street level. It should be pleasing to look at from across the street and from down the block, which in part means it should not be a monolith.

It should have solar panels (since it is taking up so much air space).

It should be gentle to the people already living to the east of the building by providing an attractive façade, less height, and protection from the noise of deliveries, trash collection and other commercial operations.

Apparently the issue of parking is not part of the design process. However, it must be said that the site cannot accommodate the cars of the people who will live in and work at the building unless it has parking. I support the calls for a full SEPA review, considering the impact of the building, its 57 units and street-level businesses on parking on nearby streets, traffic congestion, interference with businesses along Greenwood, crowding on the one bus route, capacity of sewers, and impact on noise and air quality.